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## **Maryland Department of Transportation**

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## PROPERTY OWNER CONTACT LETTER

**FMIS ID NO.: MO593A21** 

PROJECT:

BRAC Bethesda – Intersection

<u>Improvements near Bethesda</u> National Naval Medical Center

## Dear Property Owner:

The State Highway Administration (SHA) is currently conducting field survey activities relative to studies on the above referenced project. Surveyors under our employ, either SHA personnel or consultant personnel under SHA direction, may be required to enter temporarily onto your property. The privilege of entering onto your property is provided for by the Annotated Code of Maryland, § 12-111 of the Real Property Article. The purpose of this letter is to advise you of our need to access your property to gather data and to request your cooperation. All SHA employees carry identification cards and are required to display them upon request. Consultant employees are also required to display identification upon request. Our personnel have been instructed to take every possible precaution to assure that your property is not damaged in any way while conducting these studies. If damage does occur, the SHA will make proper restitution. To assist us further, it would be helpful if you would point out to our field personnel any conditions on your property (freshly planted crops or other features) that might not be readily apparent.

Since the purpose of the studies is to gather data, our field personnel gathering information are not usually aware of the project details. Consequently, they may not be able to answer some of your questions concerning the proposed improvement. They are not being evasive, but they may not be able to answer your questions because the final design often cannot be determined until after all the data has been collected and analyzed.

Personnel of the office listed below and or those from other SHA offices may contact you again about reentry upon your property in order to obtain additional engineering data. It is SHA policy to re-contact property owners for the purpose of re-entry if one year has elapsed since the previous contact.

A written response to this letter is not necessary. If however, you have any questions concerning this project, please contact:

Project Engineers: Ms. Christina Lavoie @ 410 545-8050 or Ms. Jialin Tian @ 410 545-8832

Address: 707 N. Calvert Street, Baltimore, MD 21202 e-mail: clavoie@sha.state.md.us itian@sha.state.md.us

We thank you for your cooperation concerning these project activities.

Very truly yours,

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